
  
Grange-over-Sands,  
Cumbria  


30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Countryside Access Team,  
The Parkhouse Building,  
Kingmoor Business Park,  
Carlisle,  
CA6 4SJ

Dear Sirs,

**Reference: 5.1.423 Section 119A Highways Act 1980 and  
Wildlife And Countryside Act 1981, Cumbria County Council  
(Unrecorded Footpath at Bailey Lane, Grange-over-Sands)  
Public Path Diversion & Definitive Map and Statement  
Modification Order 2019**

I write to object to the proposal to close the above railway crossing at Grange-over-Sands on the grounds that is a valuable amenity to the town and has existed as such for many years. The proposed diversion is too long to expect pedestrians to undertake.

The promenade is a main asset of the town and is compromised by the railway line (an asset in its own right) restricting access to the promenade. It is not unreasonable to have four access points across the line in a town the size of Grange-over-Sands. I object to the access points across the line to the promenade being reduced by the proposed closure.

I appreciate the dangers of the crossing but life is full of such situations and Network Rail have made over and above reasonable precautions with this particular crossing. I am sorry there has been an incident that caused distress to the train driver but feel that the pedestrians must have been at fault in some way for the incident to arise. I strongly object that that a path used by many is extinguished due to the carelessness of the few

Yours faithfully,  
